

Milwaukee County

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SUPERVISOR ROMO WEST ASKS THE PUBLIC TO HELP THE LESS FORTUNATE THIS WINTER

Supervisor Romo West and city of Milwaukee Alderman Jose Perez join in appeal for help for community's poor

Milwaukee – Milwaukee County Supervisor Peggy Romo West, District 12, and city of Milwaukee Alderman Jose Perez, District 12, are asking the public's assistance in keeping Milwaukee's less fortunate warm this winter.

Supervisor Romo West and Alderman Perez had the privilege of serving dinner to approximately 350 individuals and families on Sunday, October 14, 2012 at St. Vincent de Paul Meal Ministry, 931 W. Madison Street, Milwaukee, WI.

Site Director Felipe Chavez educated the 12th District leadership on the greatest needs facing this population during the winter months.

"Cold weather is moving in, making now the ideal time to donate to people in need in our community," said Supervisor Romo West.

Milwaukee's homeless population is estimated at about 1,660 individuals. Approximately 220 of these people live in places unsuitable for human habitation because they have little or no heat during the winter months.

"Your old, gently used coats, blankets, sleeping bags, sweaters, hats, mittens & scarves can go a long way in comforting the people who turn to St. Vincent de Paul Meal Ministry for help," explained Alderman Perez.

If you are able to assist or would like more information on making a donation or volunteering, please contact Felipe Chavez at 414-339-5250.

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